

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1717

**Introduced by Committee on Transportation (Dutra (Chair),
Chan, Chu, Liu, Longville, Nakano, Oropeza, Parra, Pavley,
Salinas, and Simitian)**

February 27, 2003

An act to amend Section 2191 of the Streets and Highways Code,
relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1717, as introduced, Committee on Transportation. Transportation: intermodal corridors of economic significance.

Existing law requires the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with regional transportation planning agencies, to identify significant transportation arteries in the state that serve as intermodal corridors of economic significance.

This bill would require the department, in cooperation with those regional agencies, to establish a task force of public and private sector members to develop a strategy for avoiding congestion on those intermodal corridors of economic significance. The bill would also require the development of freight oriented performance standards. The bill would enact other related provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2191 of the Streets and Highways Code is amended to read:

2191. (a) The department shall, in cooperation with regional transportation planning agencies, identify the significant transportation arteries in the state that connect or provide access to major sea or waterway ports, nationwide railway systems, airports, and interstate and intrastate highway systems, thereby serving as an intermodal corridor of economic significance. The identified corridors shall include, at a minimum, at least one corridor that serves two or more major seaports.

(b) *The department shall, in cooperation with regional transportation planning agencies, establish a task force composed of representatives of federal, state, and local public agencies and the private sector to develop a strategy for avoiding congestion along the state's intermodal corridors of economic significance.*

(c) *The department shall, in coordination with local and regional transportation agencies, develop and apply freight-oriented performance measures on major corridors. Those measures shall be designed to gauge the ability of those corridors to provide efficient goods movement.*

(d) *The department shall continuously and closely monitor the performance of major corridors in order to detect deficiencies at an early stage, to determine the causes of those deficiencies, and to develop improvement strategies. The department should work with other states to establish standardized performance measures relative to major corridors.*